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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants : Hideki YAMADA, et al.  
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Title : COMPOSITE SEMIPERMEABLE MEMBRANE  
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Docket No. : 10089/22  
Customer No. : 23838

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 22, 2005 setting forth a shortened statutory 3 month period for response. Accordingly, this response is due on or before September 22, 2005.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

An **Appendix "Exhibit A"** is attached following page 6 of this paper.